2016 eTutoring Award Winners Announced

CTDLC ANNOUNCES THE WINNERS OF THE 2016 DIANE J. GOLDSMITH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ETUTORING

Newington, Conn. U.S.A. (October 3, 2016) - The Connecticut Distance Learning Consortium (CTDLC), whose online tutoring program serves an international community of 2-year and 4-year colleges and universities, is pleased to announce the recipients of this year's Diane J. Goldsmith Award for excellence in eTutoring. These awards recognize outstanding tutors and coordinators who have had a significant impact on the development and delivery of tutoring within the eTutoring community, which extends across the United States and into the Canadian providences of Alberta and British Columbia.

This year the Nominating Committee decided to give out two Outstanding Tutor Awards, both to tutors from eTutor Alberta, a consortium that offers online tutoring to post-secondary students in Alberta, Canada.

The first Outstanding Tutor Award was presented to Ashley Burke from Lethbridge College's Learning Café for the exemplary support she provides to students.

"[Ashley] approaches her position with a sense of excitement, as she truly enjoys helping students to grow and improve. Moreover, with her background in teaching, Ashley brings an intimate knowledge of how to best coach students who are learning the art of writing,” said Amy Mack, a fellow tutor, in her nomination of Ashley.

The second Outstanding Tutor Award was presented to Kathleen Hall from MacEwan University's Writing and Learning Services. Kathleen has worked with eTutor Alberta since 2014 and has responded to over 400 student submissions, helping each student become a better writer.

Elizabeth Gripping, eTutor Alberta's program coordinator, notes that Kathleen "works to create a personalized tutoring experience for students, giving them perceptive and detailed feedback on how they can improve their work."

Each year, CTDLC recognizes outstanding members of the eTutoring community with this prestigious award, named after its former Executive Director Dr. Diane J. Goldsmith. Goldsmith founded the eTutoring program in 2001 via a grant project to create an online tutoring initiative serving 2-year and 4-year, public and private higher educational institutions. Goldsmith wrote the successful grant, which put into action her belief in collaborative program development and her dedication to student success via online learning programs. The result is a multi-consortia, multi-institution community called eTutoring that delivers collaborative online tutoring services across more than 140 campuses internationally.

ABOUT CTDLC Established in 1998 under the Board for State Academic Awards, the Connecticut Distance Learning Consortium (CTDLC) is a division of Charter Oak State College and a member of the Connecticut Board of Regents of Higher Education. CTDLC provides high quality services in the areas of learning systems support, online tutoring, instructional design, web development, and call center services. For more
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